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Tuesday, September 2, 2014

Drug, alcohol, hazing policies undergo major modifications

Revised policies relevant to many aspects of student life

By Austin Hess
EDITOR IN CHIEF

On Aug. 26, Dean for Student Life Chris Colombo emailed all MIT students to announce changes to the Mind and Hand Book, a set of guidelines and rules that apply to undergraduates and graduates. The alcohol and drugs and hazing policies were updated significantly, while minor changes were made to other policies, including those on sexual misconduct.

Some of the most significant changes include a ban drinking games, modifications to what was previously called the “Good Samaritan Policy,” prohibitions on certain drugs not prohibited by state law, a stricter policy against social sharing of drugs, and a broadening of the Institute’s definition of hazing. The edited policies were produced by a working group of administrators over the course of more than a year after consultation with many student groups and other bodies on campus to collect feedback on drafts of the policies.

Alcohol Policy

The updated alcohol policy newly forbids “engaging in drinking games or other activities involving rapid and/or excessive consumption of alcohol on campus or in Institute-approved housing.”

On the rationale for the new rule, Associate Dean and working group member Judy Robinson told The Tech that during drinking games “people tend to drink faster and more volume, so it’s a health and safety concern,” adding that the policy “is a fairly standard practice at most institutions.”

Also newly prohibited is alcohol distributed from a “quantity dispensing source” like kegs or punch bowls, except at registered events.

According to Robinson, fraternity, sorority, and independent living group governing bodies and parts of the MIT administration would handle enforcement of the ban on drinking games and other relevant regulations. She emphasized that the working group itself was only responsible for writing, not implementing, the updated policies.

The updated policy also states, similarly to the previous version, that serving or selling alcohol is prohibited in all circumstances except those explicitly allowed by MIT’s official policy on the use of alcohol (i.e. registered events in the case of student sponsorship). The new version does make an exception, however, for “small social gatherings (usually considered to be 15 guests or fewer) at which alcohol is served to individuals over the age of 21.”

Robinson said that the updates to the policies regarding registered events were not made to correspond with a separate social gathering policy introduced last week to FSILGs, which includes new requirements for registering events.

Practices for Seeking Help

While the term “Good Samaritan” is no longer used to describe the policies for seeking medical attention for those experiencing dangerous effects of alcohol, the section outlining prac-

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Student injured in fall from window at MIT Lambda Chi Alpha

Student is not affiliated with MIT



ANGUS LAI

Emergency personnel arrive Sunday night in response to reports of a student’s fall from a window at Lambda Chi Alpha. The student was not affiliated with MIT.

By Austin Hess
EDITOR IN CHIEF

A student not affiliated with MIT fell from a window at the MIT chapter of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity at about 11:30 p.m. on Sunday and sus-

tained injuries of unspecified severity according to Kimberly Allen of the MIT News Office.

The Boston Globe, which first reported the incident, said the female student was taken

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IN SHORT

The first day of fall classes is tomorrow!

Today is Registration Day. Students must meet with their advisors to confirm their class selections for the fall term and submit their registration by Friday, Sept. 5. Today is also the deadline to change a spring term exploratory subject to listener status.

Second-term juniors and final-term seniors must

submit the HASS Concentration Proposal form by Friday, September 5. Those who do not do so by this date must pay a \$50 late fee.

Students should update their CI-H/HW waitlist choices on WebSIS before classes begin tomorrow. This fall is the first time that a waitlist system is being used. Instructors can begin making offers from waitlists on Wednesday at 6 a.m.

The MIT Public Service Center is hosting a Service Fair on Wednesday, September 3 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. outside of Kresge. This fair is for students, faculty, and staff to learn about local nonprofits and volunteer opportunities. There will be about 20 organizations in attendance ranging from STEM education to a homeless shelter.

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On Aug. 29, MIT Clubs put on their annual midway/club fair to introduce freshmen to the multitude of clubs on campus.

New FSILG policy allows use of some roof decks this term

Groups submit application to committee for approval

By Alexandra Delmore
STAFF REPORTER

The Interfraternity Council, the Association of Independent Living Groups Board, and the AILG Facilities Committee have instated a new policy regarding approval for roof deck usage at fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups (FSILGs), overriding the existing prohibition of roof deck use.

The limits, effective since September 2013, prohibited the use of roof decks at all FSILGs until proper permits were acquired. This was accompanied by the IFC’s “Temporary Open Air

Spaces Rule Provision” that prohibited the use of all roofs, roof decks, balconies, and ledges at fraternities in both Boston and Cambridge, even for those who had attained the proper licenses.

These changes came after an MIT freshman fell four stories through a skylight at Phi Sigma Kappa last September. Residents could access the skylight through an uninspected roof deck, prompting the city of Boston to express serious concerns about the use of such roof decks.

Now, each FSILG can gain permission to utilize their roof deck by submitting an application

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Institute hosts a five-day camp for select edX students on campus

MIT brings top entrepreneurship students together in person

By Chi-Chi Zhang
MIT NEWS OFFICE

MIT has just concluded an experiment in blended learning that could reshape existing educational paradigms. A unique program held on campus Aug. 18-22 brought together students from around the world who had taken an online course in entrepreneurship and then immersed themselves at MIT — to learn how to create a startup.

The Institute brought 47 out of 54,856 students enrolled in the MITx on edX course 15.390x Entrepreneurship 101: Who is Your Customer? to campus for the inaugural MITx Glob-

al Entrepreneurship Bootcamp. The bootcamp was an experiment by MIT to help edX students further their online education, to learn not only from MIT professors but also from like-minded people from around the world.

“You take a course. You learn the material. Then, you come here and you participate in the magical experience, and you get value out of it,” says Sanjay Sarma, director of the Office of Digital Learning at MIT. “I’m over the moon to see that we can actually share this experience [with people] who might not have that opportunity.”

The 47 people who reported for bootcamp

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J DILLA'S LEGACY LIVES ON

The Tech remembers celebrated producer J Dilla. **ARTS p. 8**

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Fast-food workers plan strike for higher wages

By Steven Greenhouse
THE NEW YORK TIMES

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—Alison Smale, *The New York Times*

Three Americans held in North Korea plead for US help

By Choe Sang-Hun
THE NEW YORK TIMES

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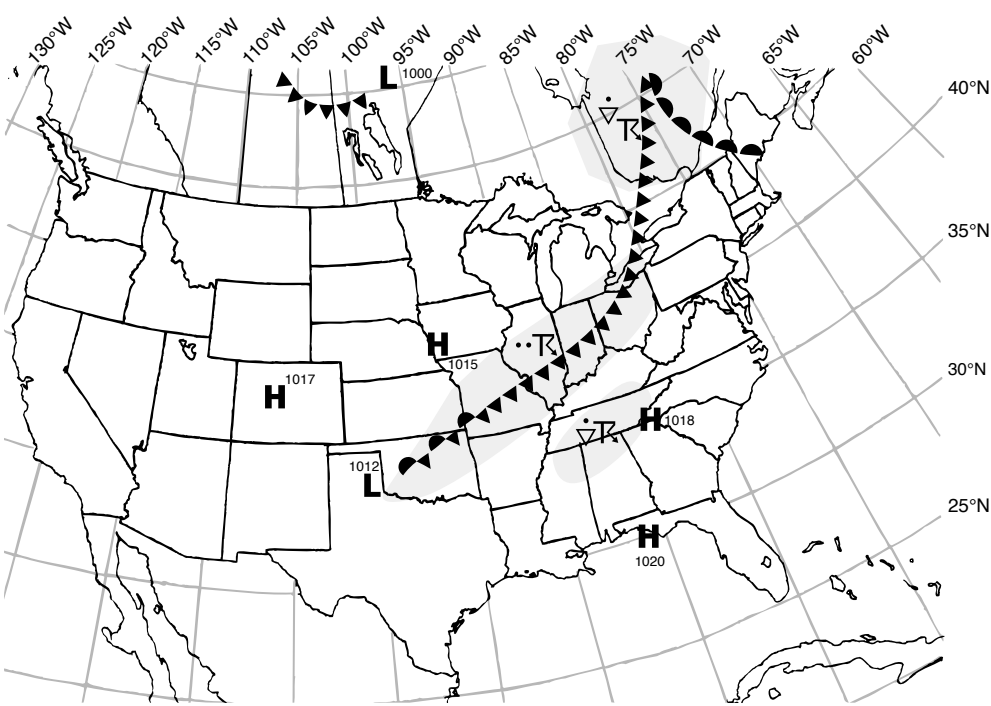
—Mohammed Ibrahim, *The New York Times*

Summer weather continues into semester















STAFF METEOROLOGIST

High pressure will settle in for the remainder of the week, producing clear skies and calm winds. The next cold front, and its associated rainfall, is expected to arrive sometime this weekend. While the temperatures this week will be above average—normal highs for this time of year are in the mid-70s (°F)—it could be much hotter: On this day in 1953, Boston recorded a high temperature of 100°F.

Today: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high 88°F (31°C). Winds S at 5-10 mph.
Tonight: Showers and thunderstorms, low 71°F (22°C). Winds S at 5-10 mph.
Tomorrow: Mostly sunny, high 85°F (29°C). Winds NW at 5-10 mph.
Thursday: Sunny, highs in the low 80s°F (27°C).
Friday: Partly cloudy, highs in the mid 80s°F (29°C).



Situation for Noon Eastern Time, Tuesday, September 2, 2014

Weather Systems	Weather Fronts	Precipitation Symbols			Other Symbols
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Islamic State adds cluster bombing to its tactics

By Rick Gladstone
THE NEW YORK TIMES

The Islamic State, the extremist militant group now almost universally vilified for atrocities that include boastful beheadings, summary mass executions and enslavement in the areas it aspires to control, also has attacked enemies with cluster bombs, the banned weapons that kill and maim indiscriminately, Human Rights Watch said Monday.

Stephen Goose, the arms division director of Human Rights Watch, said in a statement that “credible evidence” had emerged that Islamic State forces used ground-fired cluster munitions on July 12 and Aug. 14 during fighting with Kurdish militia members in Aleppo province near the northern Syrian border with Turkey.

“The use of cluster munitions by nonstate actors such as the Islamic State shows the urgent need for

Syria and all nations that have not yet done so to join the ban on cluster munitions and destroy their stockpiles,” Human Rights Watch said in the statement.

The group cited reports by Kurdish officials and photographic evidence to corroborate its assertions, saying that at least four Kurdish fighters and a child had been killed by the cluster munitions attacks.

Human Rights Watch said it was unclear how the Islamic State had acquired the munitions, which Syrian government forces also have used repeatedly despite worldwide condemnation.

Fired by rockets, mortars and artillery or dropped from aircraft, cluster bombs explode in midair, hurtling hundreds of lethal submunitions known as bomblets over a wide area. Many of the bomblets fail to explode immediately, effectively creating booby traps for the unsuspecting.

Last week the Cluster Munition Coalition, an organization of advocacy groups including Human Rights Watch, said in an annual report that Syrian government forces had used cluster bombs starting in 2012 in their campaign to crush an insurgency, surpassing Israel’s use of the weapons in the 2006 war in Lebanon that led to the global treaty banning their use in 2008.

The Human Rights Watch report came on the eve of the Cluster Munition Coalition’s annual meeting, to be held Tuesday through Friday in San Jose, Costa Rica, where compliance with the treaty will be discussed. Aside from Syria, cluster bomb use has been reported this year in the conflicts in South Sudan and Ukraine. None are among the 113 countries that have signed the treaty. Fifty-one have not signed, including the United States, Russia and China, though all three countries abide by the treaty’s provisions.

St. Louis Rams cut Michael Sam, the first openly gay NFL draft pick

By Ken Belson
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Michael Sam, the first openly gay player drafted by an NFL team, was cut by the St. Louis Rams on Saturday.

The move came as teams across the league reduced their squads to 53 players, and is bound to raise questions about the role of Sam’s sexuality in the decision.

In May, Sam was drafted at the end of the seventh round despite being named the top defensive player in the Southeastern Conference his senior year at the University of Missouri.

He was taken with the 249th pick out of a total of 256 players drafted.

He gave a mediocre performance at the scouting combine, which some believed contributed to his low draft status.

Rams coach Jeff Fisher said

Sam would be treated like every other player hoping to make the team.

But Sam also attracted a lot of attention. He canceled a planned reality show soon after it was announced.

““I will tell you this: I was pulling for Mike, I really was,” Fisher said Saturday in a news conference.

“And I don’t say that very often. Mike came in here and did everything we asked him to do.”

He added: “It was a football decision, and the decision is no different than any other decision that we make. It was a football decision. It was a football decision back in May to draft Mike.”

Sam performed decently during the preseason, including sacking Johnny Manziel, the highly touted rookie quarterback on the Cleveland Browns.

He can still make the Rams’

practice squad.

“There’s no challenge with respect to Mike Sam,” Fisher said, referring to a team that might want to pick up Sam.

“He’s not about drawing attention to himself. He kept his head down and worked and you can’t ask anything more out of any player for that matter.”

According to ESPN, Sam had 11 tackles and three sacks during the preseason and had a team-high six tackles in the last preseason game.

In a series of tweets, Sam thanked the Rams for drafting him, for “allowing me to show I can play at this level.”

He said he looked forward to building on the progress he felt he made “toward a long and successful career.”

“The most worthwhile things in life rarely come easy, this is a lesson I’ve always known,” Sam said. “The journey continues.”

Geckos on mission die aboard Russian spacecraft

MOSCOW — Five geckos launched into space by Russia for an experiment on sexual reproduction in near-zero gravity were found dead Monday after their spacecraft returned to earth, the Russian space agency Roscosmos announced in a statement.

The reptiles, popularly called the “sex geckos” because of their mission, gained notoriety in July when Roscosmos briefly lost contact with their Foton-M4 satellite and feared that its life-support systems might have failed. But communication with the satellite was re-established, and the experiment continued.

A colony of fruit flies aboard the spacecraft survived the flight. “All the geckos, unfortunately, were killed,” the agency wrote in a statement posted on its website. “The date and conditions of their deaths is being determined by specialists.”

—Andrew Roth, The New York Times

Militias seize Libyan capital

CAIRO — The government of Libya said Monday that it had lost control of its ministries to a coalition of militias that had taken over the capital, Tripoli, in another milestone in the disintegration of the state.

“The government reiterates that these buildings and the public headquarters are not safe and inaccessible, because they are under the control of armed men,” the government said in a statement. It was issued from the eastern city of Tobruk, where the recently elected parliament has convened in territory controlled by a renegade general who has tried to stage a coup d’état.

Over the last two months, the fractious militias that have dominated the country since the ouster of Moammar Gadhafi three years ago — variously local, tribal, regional, Islamist or criminal — have lined up into two warring factions. One side, operating under the name Libya Dawn, aligned with militias from the coastal city of Misurata and the Islamist factions in what fighters portrayed as a battle to prevent a counterrevolution. The other side was aligned with the renegade general, Khalifa Hifter, in the east and partisans from the mountain city of Zintan in the west, to fight what they called a battle against Islamist extremists.

—David D. Kirkpatrick, The New York Times

UN rights council looks at Islamic State abuses in Iraq

UNITED NATIONS — The top U.N. advocate for children afflicted by war said Monday that the Islamic State was using them as informers, checkpoint sentries and, in some cases, suicide bombers.

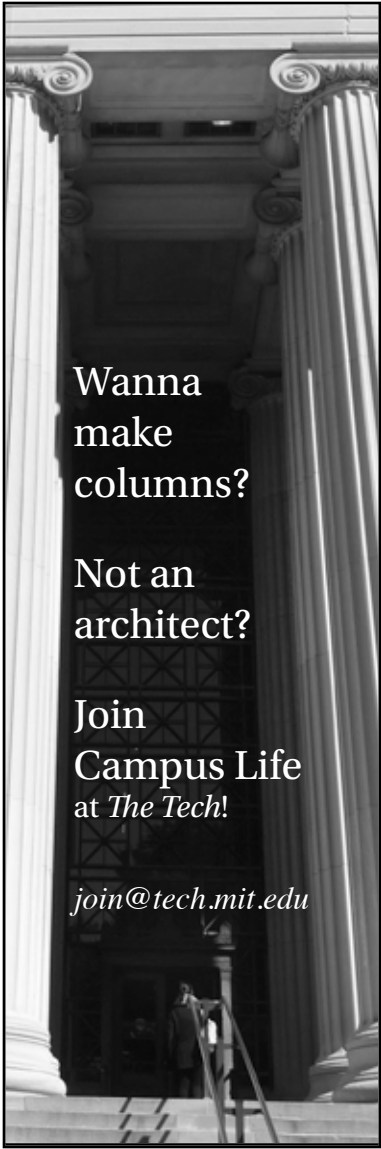
The advocate, Leila Zerrougui, the special representative of the secretary general for children and armed conflict, also said that the United Nations had received reports that the Islamic State had abducted girls from minority communities and forced them into marriage, but that it had been unable to verify those reports.

Zerrougui made the assertions at a special session of the U.N. Human Rights Council in Geneva on the Islamic State’s actions in Iraq. The group, which has proclaimed a strict Sunni Islamic state that spans the Syria-Iraq border, has imposed severe rules on behavior and has been accused of a litany of brutalities against non-Sunni groups, including summary mass executions.

The U.N. deputy high commissioner for human rights, Flavia Pansieri, told the Human Rights Council that the Islamic State had ordered strict rules for women living in the northern Iraqi city of Mosul and other areas in its control.

“Women are not allowed to walk in the street without the presence of a male guardian, and there are more and more reports of women being beaten” for infractions, she said.

—Somini Sengupta, The New York Times



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An article about the FSILG social gathering policy in the Friday, Aug. 29 issue of *The Tech* incorrectly stated that the announcement of the approval of a new FSILG social events policy was made less than a day before the start of Rush 2014, which was actually made more than a day before the kickoff. It also incorrectly stated that Risk Management Consultants were

A front-page photograph featured in the Friday issue credited to Victor Hung was actually taken by Landon Y. Carter. Victor Hung appears in the photograph.

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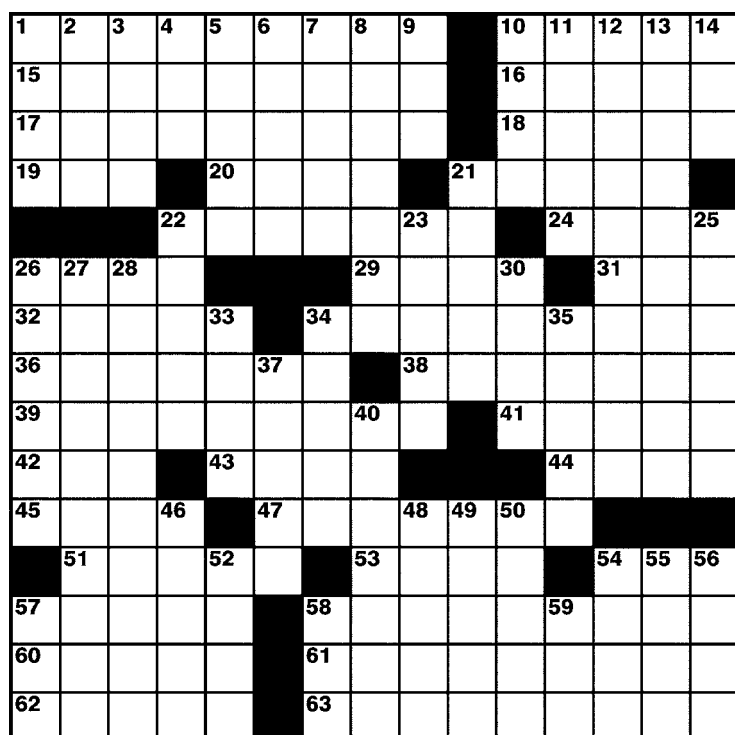
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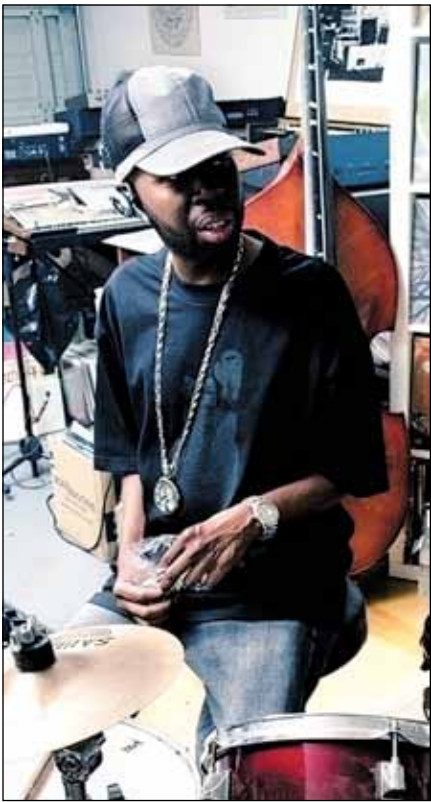
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WORD IS BORN

J Dilla: A lasting presence

Late producer to be memorialized in Smithsonian

By Nate Garcia



COURTESY OF STONES THROW RECORDS

James Dewitt Yancey, otherwise known as J Dilla or Jay Dee, is one of the most influential figures in hip-hop.

The Smithsonian Institution announced in July that equipment belonging to celebrated producer J Dilla (born James Dewitt Yancey) — a MIDI Production Center beat machine and a synthesizer custom-built for Dilla by Robert Moog himself — would be housed in the new National Museum of African American History and Culture, slated to open in 2016. The announcement came at the D.C. Loves Dilla Tribute Concert, courtesy of Ma Duke, who was there to see the crowd's reaction to the memorialization of her late son's legacy.

J Dilla revolutionized the musical landscape of hip-hop and neo soul before passing away in 2006. Known for his unique experimentalism, sampling style, and incorporation of jazz and soul, Dilla had the kind of genius that was contagious, touching artists such as Root's founder Questlove and vintage soul legend Erykah Badu, both of whom he worked with closely.

A student and colleague of legendary producer Q-Tip of A Tribe Called Quest, Dilla worked as a part of production collective The Ummah alongside Q-Tip and Ali Shaheed Muhammad, producing classics such as *Midnight Marauders* (1993). The two were first introduced by Amp Fiddler while Q-Tip was on the 1994 Lollapalooza tour.

While speaking with the Red Bull Music

Academy Radio, Q-Tip recalled Dilla's smile as the first thing he saw and described the experience of listening to Dilla's tape that night on the tour bus, saying, "What the fuck is this shit. Damn this shit is crushin'!" From there Q-Tip played the demo for Trugoy of De La Soul, who described him as Q-Tip, but better. After that they went on to work together and spread Dilla's genius far and wide.

In an RBMA Radio interview Erykah Badu recalled Dilla's eccentricities, telling the story of her first sampling lesson with Dilla, which led to her song "Didn't Cha Know." He was an engineer in school, and she described his beats as "strictly mathematical, they're just right out of his consciousness." Of his basement lab she said, "it looked like a graveyard. It was perfect, everything was perfect," all the Coke cans facing a certain way, all his vinyl organized by his own system.

The two formed part of powerhouse musical collective the Soulquarians, along with D'Angelo, James Poyser, and Questlove of the Roots to name a few.

Questlove spoke of the liberating effect Dilla's music had on him, sharing with RBMA Radio the story of the first time he heard Dilla's music when the Roots opened a show by the Pharcyde in North Carolina. He said that on *Illadelph Halflife* (1996) he made every effort to be a cold machine, but when he heard Dilla's production of the

Pharcyde's second album it freed him.

He recalled that at first he dismissed Dilla, having heard that Q-Tip was supposed to produce the Pharcyde's *Labcabin California* (1995) and found out that instead Dilla was handling it. After opening for the Pharcyde he had to run out to do a college radio interview and heard the Pharcyde open with their song "Bullshit."

"As I'm leaving the club I'm hearing the vibration of the kick drum and it's the most life changing moment I've ever had. Like I had to get out the car and run back in the club to make sure I didn't hear what I heard. Did I hear that? I mean just the way that it... it sounded like the kick drum was played by like a drunk three year old. I was like, 'Are you allowed to do that!?' " Questlove later asked about the track and described the experience of listening to Dilla's beat tape saying, "I'd just never heard someone not give a fuck, and that to me was the most liberating moment."

J Dilla lives on in his music, as part of Slum Village, through his collaborations, and his immeasurable impact on the musical community. His iconic tools, with him at his bedside to the end, will find a worthy home as the inaugural exhibition "Musical Crossroads" in the Smithsonian African American Museum of History and Culture. I look forward to seeing the late producer's legacy.

Rest in Peace JD.



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INTERVIEW

The story behind Boston Calling

The up-and-coming festival’s co-founder talks to *The Tech* before the September show

MIKE DISKIN

The fourth installment of Boston Calling Music Festival opens this Friday at City Hall Plaza.

By Denis Bozic
ARTS EDITOR

Even though only in its fourth installment, the three-day Boston Calling Music Festival is already becoming a landmark of Boston’s entertainment scene. The lineup for this week’s shows includes The War on Drugs, Lorde, The National, Nas with The Roots, and Future Islands. *The Tech* recently interviewed Brian Appel, co-founder of Boston Calling, to find out how the festival was conceived and what happens behind the scenes during the show.

“My partner Mike Snow and I were working together at WFNX Radio and the Boston Phoenix. We spent several years planning events and concerts in the city, and began working on the idea of a music festival for the radio station,” said Appel. “WFNX eventually stopped broadcasting, but we still believed in the idea, so we went and got approval from the Mayor’s office to do the event, and that’s how it began.”

The festival quickly became a hit among Boston’s music fans. Most of the performers were well-known bands and musicians

such as Dirty Projectors, Marina and The Diamonds, St. Lucia, and Vampire Weekend. The lineups, however, are not just random selections of available performers. “We have a curation team of several people, including the Bowery Presents, and Aaron Dessner of The National. We all look at what artists are touring around our festival times, who may be available and a good addition to the lineup, and between Bowery and Aaron, we begin conversations with artists and agents,” said Appel. “It sometimes feels out of control when you are in the midst of trying to book [more than] twenty artists, but so far it has all worked out!”

Appel added that Boston Calling leans slightly toward indie-rock music but that not all of the performers fall within the genre. “It starts with The National, who we sometimes think of as our ‘house band,’” he said. “But we do not aim to be a fully indie-rock festival. You’ll see electronic, pop, hip-hop, alt-country, and even some metal on our bills.”

Despite the presence of big-name performers in the festival’s lineup, Appel said that it’s important to give recognition to those performers who have not climbed the

top charts yet. “It’s a balancing act. For obvious reasons, you need bigger names on the bill to make sure that you sell enough tickets to make the event financially stable,” he said. “But part of the fun of the curation is to pick artists early on in their career and lock them in before they get really big. We’ve had some luck with this; we booked fun., Bastille, and most recently The War on Drugs just as they were getting very popular. It’s good vision by Bowery and Aaron.”

As with every music festival, excellent organization is necessary for the shows to run smoothly and it seems that Boston Calling’s teams are doing their best to make the festival stress-free. “We have an amazing team that keeps the event running very smoothly. We’ve had some good luck in that the audience is always very calm and respectful, and we’ve got an amazing production manager, Bill Kenney, who keeps the stages running perfectly,” Appel said. “You know the event is going well when the radios are silent for an hour at a time during show days.”

Appel added that the organizers’ relationships with the performers are strictly professional and that the main task is to

keep the audience, bands, and the sponsors happy. “None of us have much interest in celebrity sightings,” he said. “We’re thrilled that the artists have chosen to be at Boston Calling, but we have a no-hassle policy for the acts backstage. No photos, no media, no autographs, no meet-and-greets. They’re here to do a job, and the best thing we can do is put them in the best place to do it, and get out of their way.”

For him, the most rewarding part of the experience was “seeing it all come together and knowing that there were four or five of us just two years ago who thought it was crazy and went ahead with it anyway,” he said. “The press has been really amazing, and every time we see an article written about us, it still feels like the first time.”

When asked about the future of Boston Calling, Appel said, “We don’t get too far ahead of ourselves! Right now we are focused on the September edition. 2015? We’ll start to think about that after September 7!”

The September installment of Boston Calling Music Festival 2014 begins this Friday at City Hall Plaza. For full information about the tickets and performers, visit <http://fall.bostoncalling.com/>

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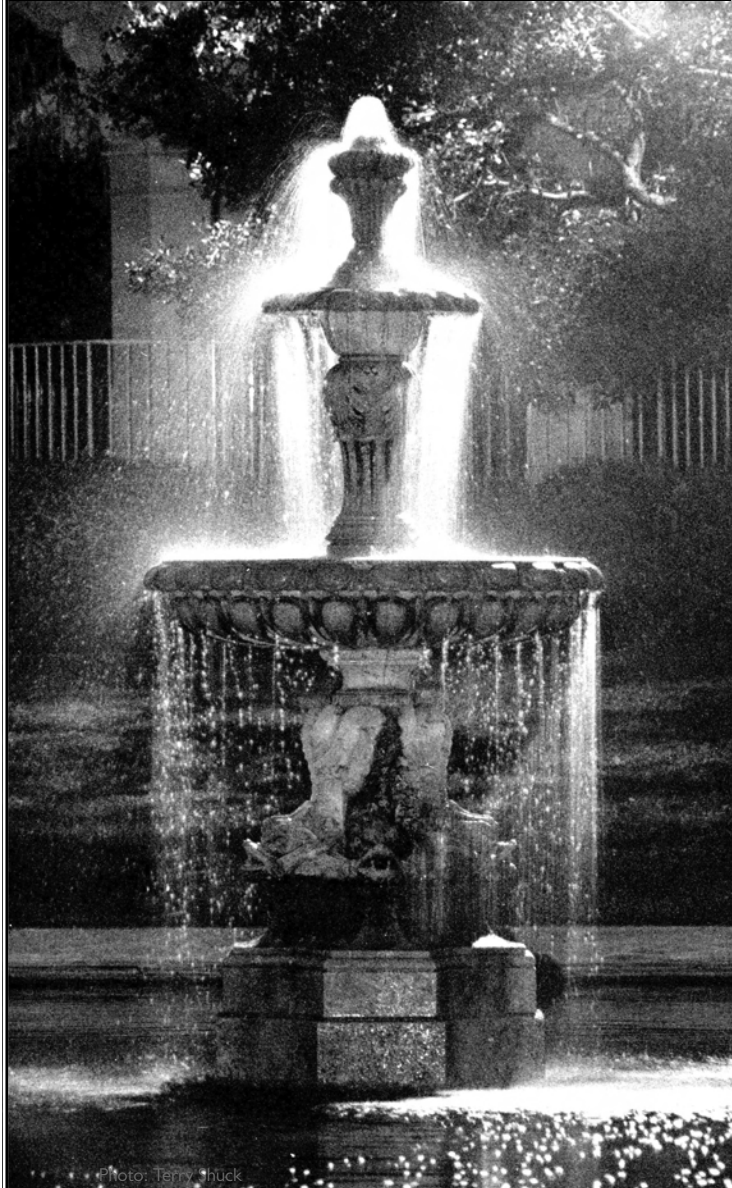
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Solution to Sudoku I

from page 5

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Solution to Sudoku II

from page 5

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2	6	1	9	5	7	3	4	8
3	7	8	1	2	4	9	5	6

Solution to Sudoku III

from page 5

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Solution to Techdoku I

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4	2	1	6	3	5
2	6	5	4	1	3
1	5	4	3	6	2
5	3	2	1	4	6
6	4	3	2	5	1

Severity of injury unclear

Report to come

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to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

MIT Interfraternity Council President Haldun Anil '15 said, "The Judicial Committee process is being followed. We're in the process of gathering information."

Members of LCA did not respond to phone or email requests for comment on the incident. As of press time, the national chapter of LCA had not responded to an email request for comment.

The incident comes about one year after an incident at the MIT chapter of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, in which an 18-year-old MIT student survived a four-story fall through a skylight during a roof deck party. Limits on the occupancy of MIT fraternities in Boston, an effective prohibition of large social events there imposed in the wake of that incident, were finally eased late last week.

The Boston Police Department referred a request for the police report on the incident to the MIT Police, who said the report would become available Tuesday. According to Allen, MIT officials are investigating the circumstances of the fall.



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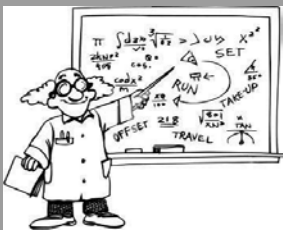


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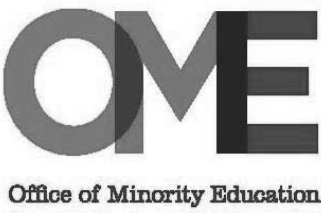
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New policies significantly update alcohol rules

Drinking games ban, edited seeking help rules, and new sanctions among revisions

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tices for seeking help during alcohol-related emergencies says, “MIT will treat the situation as a health and safety matter, not as a disciplinary incident” if help is sought. The limitations of the policy and the actual guidelines for how to call for help remain unchanged.

The list of Institute-imposed sanctions, however, newly states, “The sanctions of disciplinary suspension and disciplinary expulsion will be strongly considered... when a student has failed to summon medical assistance for someone she or he knew, or reasonably should have known, to be in medical jeopardy due to alcohol or substance use.”

Notably, the possibility of sanctions for failing to call for help, but not protection from disciplinary action, apply to medical emergencies involving drugs other than alcohol. Robinson said the goal of this modification was “to remind people that the expectation is that you get help for somebody in need” and to provide clarity on the matter for students unsure of whether they should call for help.

Robinson and Director of Student Citizenship Kevin Kraft met with members of Dormitory Council (DormCon) multiple times to collect feedback on drafts of the policies. In public minutes from a December 2013 meeting, several students raised concerns that the difference between the treatment of alcohol and other drug-related incidents in the policy could lead students to use drugs in secret and/or under more dangerous circumstances. The minutes quote Robinson as saying that those concerns must be balanced against making sure the Institute does not condone drug use.

Leonid Grinberg '14, a student quoted in those minutes, told *The Tech*, “If there’s negative pressure that I can’t know about [drug use] because I don’t want to get in trouble, all that creates is lack of knowledge,” adding, “It’s one-sided in that it just removes liability in an artificial, almost legalistic sense without adding safety.”

Robinson said that the working group had received feedback both for and against including incidents related to other drugs among those treated as medical rather than disciplinary matters in the seeking help protocol. “We will continue to look at that in the coming year, but people need to know that the expectation is that you get help for somebody,” she said, adding that the fact that someone called for help may be taken into account if Committee on Discipline sanctions were considered after a drug-related incident.

Other Drugs

Before the recent updates, the Mind and Hand Book’s policy on drugs other than alcohol primarily referred to state and federal laws, stating that the use, sale, and distribution of illegal drugs was also against Institute policy.

New in the revised version, MIT extends the prohibition to “substances that are generally recognized as dangerous and detrimental to the individual and community, even though they may not be illegal,” referring to these as prohibited substances. It lists whippits (nitrous oxide cannisters), 2-C’s, NBOME, research drugs, Spice, K-2, non-prescribed performance enhancing drugs as examples of such substances.

According to minutes from October and December 2013 DormCon meetings including Kraft and Robinson, students raised concerns that the definition of prohibited substances was too vague and could create unclear expectations for students.

When asked by The Tech what process would be used to determine if certain drugs might become prohibited in the future, Robinson said, “I think that will depend on... what the trends are, not just in the MIT community but in general,” adding that the drugs listed in the policy are examples rather than an exhaustive list of those prohibited.

“Those drugs might not be scheduled or illegal at this moment in time, they may be down the road. But regardless of illegal or not, what we do know is that there have been issues for some of our students around those drugs,” adding “With health and safety a priority, we wanted to be clear with students.”

Also newly introduced to the policy is the following: “MIT prohibits persons from permitting the use of prohibited substances, as noted in this policy, in one’s residence.”

Robinson said that some universities prohibit students from being in the presence of others using drugs illegally. She said that the working group initially proposed that regulation, but decided after hearing feedback from students to change the policy to its current form. “You’re responsible for what happens in your room.” She added that organizational-level issues with allowing drug use could also result in an organizational response.

According to DormCon minutes, students also raised concerns to Kraft and Robinson that this aspect of the policy might unintentionally incentivize students to use drugs alone or in more dangerous ways. Grinberg told *The Tech*, “Any amount of drug use is safer with more people present and more people not using that drug present,”

noting that it would be much easier for students to get help in such situations compared with using drugs alone.

New to the list of Institute-imposed drug sanctions is the statement that disciplinary suspension and expulsion would be “strongly considered” for students found responsible for violating policies against “the sale, distribution, or social sharing of prohibited substances.”

Robinson emphasized that MIT’s policy on the matter is not limited to students selling drugs for a profit.

“Social sharing is a form of distribution, and we don’t want drugs distributed on campus,” Robinson said. “So it’s not just about if you are collecting money in exchange for drugs, but it’s about if you’re distributing drugs to anybody.” She added, “I might be sitting with a group of five friends and sharing or I might just have given drugs to somebody down the hall from me. Neither are ok.”

New MIT policies broaden definition of hazing, providing examples that include showering.

While the possible sanctions are significant, Grinberg said that he expected the prohibitions on the social sharing of drugs to be implemented in a “common sense” manner and added that he would be “surprised and disappointed” if students were suspended or expelled as a result of, for example, using a small amount of marijuana in a group.

The updated policy also clarifies that MIT’s policies against marijuana are not affected by laws lowering penalties for, or decriminalizing, its use in Massachusetts. It cites the federal Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, which requires compliance with federal prohibition on marijuana, among other laws, for the Institute to continue to receive federal funding.

For these reasons, medicinal marijuana continues to be prohibited on campus or at Institute-sponsored activities. “The reality is federal law trumps state law... Even though the Massachusetts law is different we have to keep that policy in place, but we involved Student Disability Services in that conversation as well,” Robinson said, referring to the policy on medicinal marijuana.

Hazing

MIT’s policy on hazing before the recent updates was primarily a restatement of Massachusetts state law on the subject. It identified

hazing as conduct that “recklessly endangers the physical or mental health of any student or other person.”

The new policies broaden the definition to include “[a]ny action or activity that causes or intends to cause physical or mental discomfort or distress, that may demean, degrade, or disgrace any person.” It goes on to provide examples of hazing in three categories of increasing severity.

The policy defines subtle hazing as “behaviors that emphasize a power imbalance between new members and other members of the group or community”, listing deception, silence periods, deprivation of privileges, social isolation, name-calling, and unequal assignment of chores or duties as examples.

Examples of harassment hazing, or “behaviors that cause emotional anguish or physical discomfort” are listed as verbal abuse, implicit or explicit threats, sexual stimulations, requiring situationally inappropriate attire, and sleep deprivation.

Violent hazing is defined as “behaviors that do or could cause physical or psychological harm,” including “placing students in the shower against their will” (a practice called “showering”), beating, paddling or other forms of assault, bondage, kidnapping, expecting illegal activity, or forcing or coercing members to take alcohol and/or drugs, perform sexual acts, or ingest “vile substances.”

Notably, showering was the only behavior singled out as prohibited in both the old and new versions of the policy beyond those listed by Massachusetts law, though the previous version said it “may be considered a form of hazing.”

The Tech previously reported that policies introduced by the Interfraternity Council in January now mean that organizational hazing cases from the body are handled by the Committee on Discipline, typically resulting in organizational suspension if the party is found in violation. Robinson said she did not yet know the details of how the updated Mind and Hand Book would interact with that policy, but said, “There is a continuum of behavior; there is a continuum of [disciplinary] response.”

Robinson said, that after collecting student feedback, the goal was “use the policy to inform students of what different levels of hazing are, which is why you see more detailed examples.” She added that while most people would identify violent hazing as hazing, “there are other forms of behavior that would qualify as hazing that we needed to inform students of as well.”

Other updates

The updates to policies related to sexual misconduct, stalking,

and intimate partner violence were minor edits according to Robinson, as the majority of the changes happened early in the 2013-2014 academic year. The weapons and hazardous materials policies, while partially reworded, remained largely similar to their previous versions.

Creating the policies

Robinson said that in April of 2013 the working group began identifying policies that needed to be updated in an effort to have policies “up to date with current practice and provide clarity to students.”

She said the group decided not to put most of the changes into effect at the start of the 2013-2014 academic year because they felt that they couldn’t collect enough student input on the new policies over the summer. She said those policies then went through multiple drafts over the course of meeting with student groups and other stakeholders on campus throughout the course of the academic year.

The changes to the sexual misconduct policy, including the addition of the intimate partner violence and stalking policies, however, took place in October, as those updates were necessary for MIT be in compliance with federal Title IX requirements. She added that a few edits to that policy were made over the course of the academic year, which are reflected in the latest version of the Mind and Hand Book.

Robinson said the new policies are designed to be educational statements and are designed to help students understand “what it means to be a member of the MIT community.” She emphasized that the working group’s edits focused on providing clarity to students about expectations and policies.

Robinson listed a wide range of student groups and bodies consulted during the process of updating the policies, ranging from the MIT Police to FSILG leadership. According to Matthew Davis '16, the Risk Manager and Housing Chair of Dormitory Council during the last academic year, DormCon assembled a list of changes by comparing drafts of the policies and considering a similar list of edits compiled by the Undergraduate Association. These were then presented to the dormitory presidents who then commented in meetings such as those that were the subjects of the previously cited minutes.

“The students who gave us feedback – and there many of them – they were such an important part of the process... As we move forward we will continue that practice of involving student leaders or emerging student leaders in those conversations,” Robinson said.



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Living group roof deck limit relaxed

Nine applications approved so far

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to the AILG Board and the AILG Facilities Committee.

The application entails calculating deck occupancy numbers using guidelines from the Facilities Committee, which are based on the square footage of the roof deck and the number of exits available. Roof decks at FSILGs in Boston must also be approved and certified by the city.

“It is important to note that the city of Boston roof deck certificates allow use by residents only, and parties are not permitted even on approved roof decks,” wrote Henry J. Humphreys, Senior Associate Dean of Residential Life and Dining, in an email to *The Tech*.

Nine applications have been submitted to the AILG so far and all nine — three in Boston, five in Cambridge, and one in Brookline — met the requirements and have been approved.

“The overall approval process took about two months,” wrote Joel R. Schneider ’15, president of MIT’s

chapter of Zeta Beta Tau (ZBT), in an email to *The Tech*. Schneider applied for the approval of ZBT’s roof deck over the summer, and said that the process asked him to assess the occupancy limit of the roof deck and then submit a report to the AILG.

According to Schneider, the AILG approved an occupancy limit of 10 people for ZBT’s roof deck. He estimated that other FSILGs will have similar limits in the 10-20 range. Since it is in Brookline, ZBT is not under the restriction that the roof deck can only be used by residents, but Schneider says that the low occupancy limit will prohibit ZBT members from hosting rush events on the deck. As an additional safety precaution, Schneider has internally enforced a rule that a brother must be present on the roof deck whenever it is in use.

“While the low occupancy limit is unfortunate, the process of approving the roof deck, designing the signage, and getting signatures was very well laid out and the AILG was very supportive,” wrote Schneider.

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TUESDAY

(6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.) Crepes and Camaraderie Evening, sponsored by Ashdown House and the Warehouse Graduate Dorm — NW35 (Ashdown) Courtyard

(8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.) Contra Dance beginner’s night, with live folk music, free for MIT and Wellesley students, sponsored by Folk Dance Club — Kresge Rehearsal Room B

WEDNESDAY

(11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) Sidney Pacific Plant Sale — NW86, Sidney Pacific Courtyard

THURSDAY

(12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.) Coffeehouse Lounge Outdoor Concert: The Black Moons — W20 (Stratton Student Center Steps)

(1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.) Community Service Fair, hosted by the MIT Public Service Center — Kresge Oval

FRIDAY

(5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) Student Loan Exhibition: Arts BBQ, celebration of arts on campus — E15 (List Visual Arts Center)

(8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.) The Musical Theatre Guild presents Grease, \$3 incoming MIT freshmen, \$6 MIT and Wellesley students, \$10 MIT affiliates, \$15 general public — W16-035 (Kresge)

SATURDAY

(10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) Oink, Oink, Cluck, Baaaaa! Eastgate Animal Petting Zoo, see and feed farm animals, sponsored by Eastgate Community Association and GSC Funding Board — E55 (Eastgate) Courtyard

(1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.) Demo Day for the MIT Global Founders’ Skills Accelerator, sponsored by Martin Trust Center for MIT Entrepreneurship — W16 (Kresge)

SUNDAY

(6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.) MIT Bangladeshi Students’ Association Fall Kickoff and Welcome Dinner, sponsored by MIT BSA and GSC Funding Board — 50-140


MONDAY

(4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.) Why You Can’t Find a Taxi in the Rain and Other Labor Supply Lessons from Cab Drivers, with speaker Hank Farber of Princeton University, sponsored by Public Finance/Labor Workshop — E62-650


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


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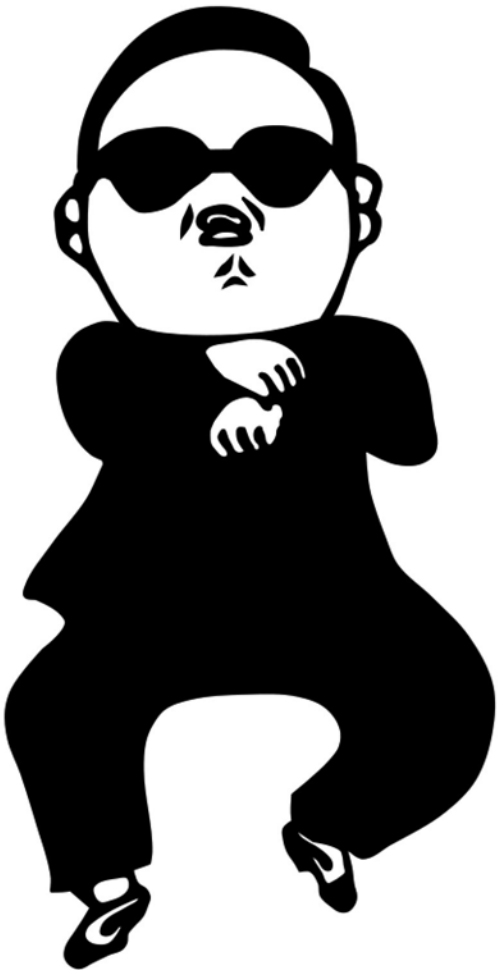




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Iman Urooj traveled thousands of miles from Pakistan to attend the bootcamp. She said the event was one of the most memorable experiences of her life: "This bootcamp gave me the necessary injection of inspiration to go back to Pakistan with newfound enthusiasm and energy and a desire for change."

"It was an incredibly creative and a remarkable experience not just for the students but for all of us involved at MITx and edX," said Anant Agarwal, CEO of edX. "We had an amazing group of students. They were extraordinarily inspiring. They are what make us want to get up in the morning and do what we're doing."

After taking the 15.390x online course taught by Bill Aulet, managing director of the Martin Trust Center for MIT Entrepreneurship, the bootcamp participants were challenged to start a company in one week at MIT. On Aug. 22, nine teams pitched their startup ideas before a panel of judges. UpLook, a startup aimed at turning fashion blogs into retail outlets, won first place. ONBO, a personal consulting startup, came in second and was followed by Elio, a startup to sell data collected by drones to Brazilian farmers. Right after the bootcamp ended, two teams indicated that they would continue working on their startups that were incubated at the bootcamp.

"It was truly eye opening that you can run an online course, get 55,000 people to take it, and then bring the best of them to MIT to have a residential experience — in such short period of time," says Aulet. "The funnel was so big and so fast that you had to be both good and willing to hustle to make it. As such, it was a complete meritocracy. This is what led to the amazing talent and energy in the class, which created the spectacular results. It was a real honor to teach this group and be involved in this successful experiment."

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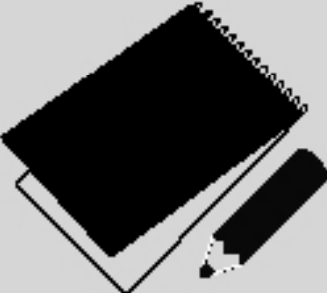
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